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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners: Robert G. Taub, Chairman;

Mark Acton, Vice Chairman; Tony Hammond; and Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices Inbound Parcel Post (at UPU Rates)

Docket No. CP2018-84

# NOTICE AND ORDER CONCERNING CHANGES IN RATES FOR INBOUND PARCEL POST (AT UPU RATES)

(Issued December 13, 2017)

#### I. INTRODUCTION

On December 12, 2017, the Postal Service filed notice announcing its intention to change prices not of general applicability for Inbound Parcel Post (at Universal Postal Union (UPU) Rates) effective January 1, 2018.<sup>1</sup>

#### II. CONTENTS OF FILING

To accompany its Notice, the Postal Service filed: a redacted copy of the UPU International Bureau (IB) Circular that contains the new prices; a copy of the certification required under 39 CFR 3015.5(c)(2); documentation in support of inflation-linked

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Changes in Rates Not of General Applicability for Inbound Parcel Post (at UPU Rates), and Application for Non-Public Treatment, December 12, 2017, at 1-2 (Notice).

adjustment for the new prices; and redacted copies of Governors' Decisions 14-04 and 11-6. *Id.* at 2-3; *see id.* Attachments 2-7. The Postal Service also filed redacted financial workpapers. Notice at 3.

The Postal Service also filed unredacted copies of Governors' Decisions 14-04 and 11-6, an unredacted copy of the new prices, and related financial information under seal. See Notice at 4. The Postal Service filed an application for non-public treatment of materials filed under seal. *Id.* Attachment 1.

The Postal Service states that it has provided supporting documentation as required by Order Nos. 2102 and 2310.<sup>2</sup> In addition, the Postal Service states that it provided citations and copies of relevant UPU IB Circulars and updates to inflation-linked adjustments as required by Order No. 3716.<sup>3</sup>

#### III. COMMISSION ACTION

The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2018-84 for consideration of matters raised by the Notice.

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service's filing is consistent with 39 U.S.C. 3632, 3633, and 39 CFR part 3015. Comments are due no later than December 21, 2017. The public portions of the filing can be accessed via the Commission's website (http://www.prc.gov).

The Commission appoints Katalin K. Clendenin to serve as Public Representative in this docket.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Notice at 4-5. See Docket No. CP2014-52, Order Accepting Price Changes for Inbound Air Parcel Post (at UPU Rates), June 26, 2014, at 6 (Order No. 2102); Docket No. CP2015-24, Order Accepting Changes in Rates for Inbound Parcel Post (at UPU Rates), December 29, 2014, at 4 (Order No. 2310).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Notice at 5-6. See Docket Nos. MC2017-58 and CP2017-86, Order Acknowledging Changes in Rates for Inbound Parcel Post (at UPU Rates), December 30, 2016, at 5 (Order No. 3716).

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### IV. ORDERING PARAGRAPHS

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2018-84 for consideration of the

matters raised by the Postal Service's Notice.

2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Katalin K. Clendenin is appointed to serve as an

officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in this

proceeding (Public Representative).

3. Comments are due no later than December 21, 2017.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this Order in the *Federal Register*.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble Secretary